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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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December 22, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 8, 2003, setting a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on January 8, 2004, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in light of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** are included following the amendments.

**Amendment to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. - 6. (canceled)